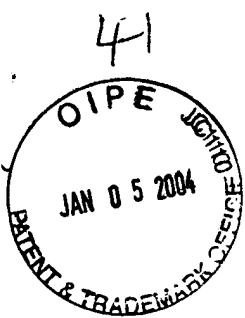


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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action issued on October 1, 2003, please amend the present application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims: Reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks/Arguments: Begin on page 7 of this paper.